

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-7, 9-11, 16-19 and 23-26 remain in this application. Claims 16-19 and 23-26 stand allowed. Claims 3, 6, 7 and 11 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests re-examination.

Claims 1 and 4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over *Pare, Jr. et al* (U.S. 6,230,148) in view of *Walker et al* (U.S. 6,338,049). Applicant respectfully traverses.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 3. Claim 3 is indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim. Claim 1 incorporates claim 3. Therefore, claim 1 is now seen as allowable over the art of record.

Claim 4 depends from claim 1 and is, therefore, also seen as allowable.

Claim 5 depends from claim 1 and is, therefore, also seen as allowable.

Claim 6 depends from claim 5 and is, therefore, also seen as allowable.

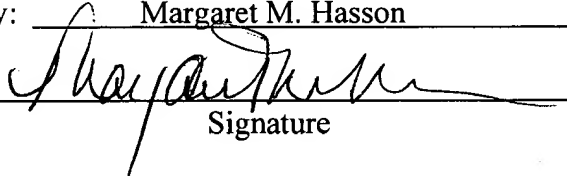
Claim 7, depends from claim 6 and is, therefore, also seen as allowable.

Claims 9, 10 and 11 depend from claim 6 and are also seen as allowable.

In light of the above amendment and remarks, applicant believes that all the claims in this Application are allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that all the claims be allowed and this application passed to issue.

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